

YOUR GUIDE TO THE WORLD OF SONIC THE COMIC (STC) & SEGA. PRESENTED BY YOUR HOST, MEGADROID.

# FINE STATE

Hey, Boomers!

So what if the summer's gone - welcome to STC's hot and sticky issue! I'm referring of course to the set of four free Sonic the Stickers!

Developed for those all important places like school bags (uggh!), they're designed to, well, stick just about anywhere you can get away with. Not only is there a free gift this issue, Boomers, but once again, there's three new stories...

Nastiness abounds as Sonic confronts a shifty looking character in Mister Shifter. Plus, Knuckles begins another new adventure in The Good, The Bad and The Echidna, and Tails rescues a stranger from an attack of the Badniks in Easy Target.

It's time to make a NiGHT of it with Sega's sizzling new game, which is on sale right now. You can read all about NiGHTS in the centre pages, plus, there's an outstanding NiGHTS pin-up on the back cover (and there'll be another one next issue, and the issue after that!). What with the second part of Sonic's World, reviews on Tin Tin and Shining Wisdom, you don't have to thank me, just spread the STC word!

#### COTTON PICKIN' T-SHIRT WINNERS!

Remember we asked you back in STC 79 to name the famous London site which is home to Segaworld?
Well, the correct answer is The Trocadero in London's Piccadilly Circus. Here's the 80 winners who win a Sega T-shirt. Well done, and thanks to each Boomer who entered.

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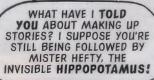
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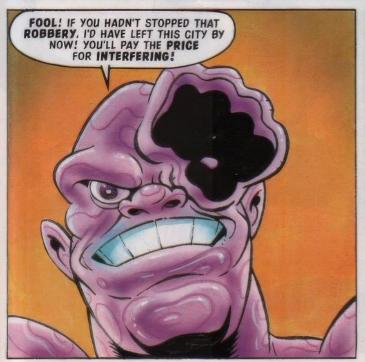












































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## SHINING WISDOM

Reviewed by David Gibbon

SATURN

GAME TYPE: ROLE-PLAYING PLAYERS: 1

PUBLISHER: SEGA PRICE: £39.99

RELEASE DATE: OUT NOW AGE SUITABILITY: ALL



Role-playing games, where the controller is the hero/heroine and interacts with characters, sell as fast as rice cakes in Japan! Because of this, Sega have selected the best games and converted them for the UK market, hence **Shining Wisdom**.

Here's the story behind the game: as controller, you play a guard for the King of Odegan, ruler of the largest kingdom in all of Palacia (who thought up these names?). It's your job to defend the King with your life - apparently, old Japanese tradition say, it's the honourable thing to do!

Starting off at your grandparents' home, you get the chance to explore the place and find out



some interesting tales from the local folk. The game allows you to carry out magic spells, pick up treasure, climb vines - and you're able to talk to people!

Graphically, **Shining Wisdom** looks more 'Mega Drive-ish' than 32-bit Saturn generated. However, the gameplay really excels. It's handy that this game includes a save option, because it has a maze of levels and things to do. It'll take ages to complete, but all will be revealed as you go along.



### TIN TIN IN TIBET

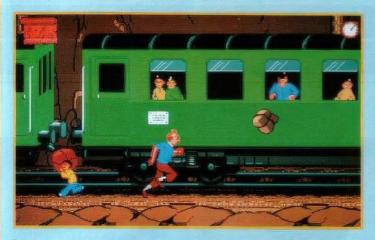
Reviewed by David Gibbon



GAME TYPE: ACTION ADVENTURE PLAYERS: 1

PUBLISHER: INFOGRAMES
PRICE: £39.99

RELEASE DATE: OUT NOW AGE SUITABILITY: ALL



Which cartoon character is so popular that the TV series is shown in 35 different countries, and whose comic sells over four million copies a year? Sonic, you say? Well, actually it's Tin Tin - the investigative newspaper journalist who has adventures with his faithful dog, Snowy! Well, the good news is that now there's a Mega Drive game available called **Tin Tin in Tibet**, based on this historic comic book character.

The object of the game is to help Tin Tin find his missing friend, T Chang. The game is played over 13 levels, each one giving the hero a different task to complete. The levels include The Train where Tin Tin dodges parcels as they fall from a moving train, then with the aid of boxes, he has to cross a





dangerous bridge, complete with broken track - no mean feat! The Falaise level features Tin Tin and the Captain using ropes to climb up the side of a mountain and help them through a snow storm, in order to defeat the Yeti in Bigfoot's den. Things get even more weird and wacky as the game progresses!

Tin Tin's range of moves include walking, running, bending and swimming, picking up objects



and speaking to characters! Graphically, the game is excellent with Tin Tin using 650 frames of animation alone,

enabling him to move backwards and forwards on the screen and really capture the look of the original cartoon.

Although **Tin Tin in Tibet** is basically a platform game with add-ons, the range and variety of tasks makes it stand out from the crowd.



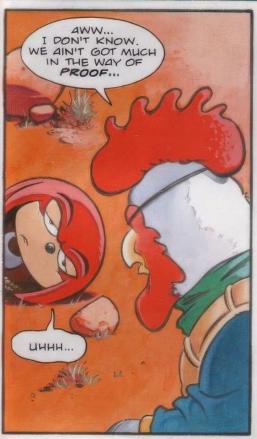














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KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH
HEEM!

WHILE
WE'RE GONE THE
GLYS CAN CONTINUE
TO DRIVE THE HERD...
WE'LL BE BACK IN
A COUPLE OF
DAYS!











A game so breathtaking and enjoyable, which uses the Saturn system to the max, has just been turned into reality...

NiGHTS has been created by the team that brought you the Sonic games. Led by Japanese programming genius, Yuji Naka, Sega wanted them to come up with the best Saturn game ever... and NiGHTS was created.

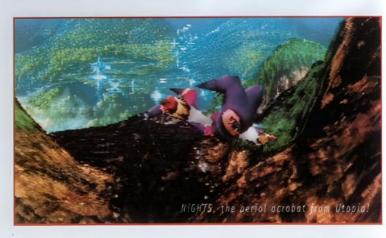
The story behind NiGHTS revolves around the dream

world of Nightopia where our dreams are played out. An evil being named Wizeman the Wicked, is gaining tremendous power in this domain through his creations - the Nightmaren. He uses an army of evil Nightmares to capture precious dream energy from humans. If he is not stopped, he will rise from the dream world and enter our world. No power on earth will be able to stop him. As Wizeman's horrible Nightmarens start fulfilling this dastardly plan, a Nightopian escapes from the battle to beg one girl and one boy to help in saving both the dream world and the waking world from this evil being. Elliot and Claris are the young folk chosen to take on the Wizeman.

Elliot and Claris are special as they possess red ideya - a rare courage or energy. This enables them to face off against the horrors that lurk inside the world of dreams. When these two enter Nightopia it is clear



that they need to recapture four other types of dream energy; white, green, yellow and blue ideya must all be recovered. To do this, they need the help of NiGHTS, a brave Nightopian aerial acrobat who has refused to help the Wizeman with his evil schemes. NiGHTS knows that because Claris and Elliot have red ideya, he can merge with either of them and fly his way round Nightopia in an attempt to recover the other energies.





There is so much to do in this game. You can perform aerial tricks for bonuses and experience many different dreamscapes, from the Spring Valley to the Frozen Bell; an icv world. Fighting off the evil Nightmarens is also called for, and one impressive way which NiGHTS does this, is by performing a paraloop. This entails a loop-the-loop which makes NiGHTS flight tail cross over itself, creating a vortex inside the gap which sucks in all his enemies in the vicinity! A new artificial-lifeintelligence system is also a part of this game. The Nightopians who live in Nightopia are cute,

> cuddly Flicky-type creatures that have the ability to multiply and act differently in every game. If you land on them or hurt them then they won't

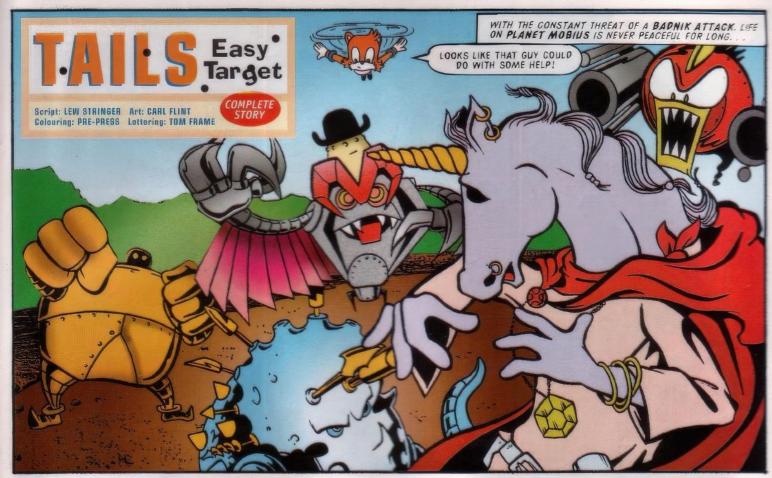
be nice to vou!

NiGHTS looks set to take on the world! Only seeing it and playing it can give you an idea of how impressive it actually is. Graphics, gameplay, sound and ability are a different class. A new Analogue joypad has also been specially produced to get a looser, easier to roll feel when you're flying NiGHTS around his groovy world. The game and joypad are on sale now for £59.99, although you will be able to buy both separately. It is a true benchmark game for the Saturn system.



Playing the game, NiGHTS, involves learning how to fly with the character, NiGHTS! Using the new Analogue joypad you can fly NiGHTS around to your hearts content. The fluidity of the animation and the graceful way in which it all moves is truly outstanding. The landscapes are colourful, and as NiGHTS paraloops, spins and charges around his universe, you must remember that his task is to collect blue crystals against the clock, so as to recapture the different ideyas.

NEXT ISSUE: ELLIOT PIN-UP!



















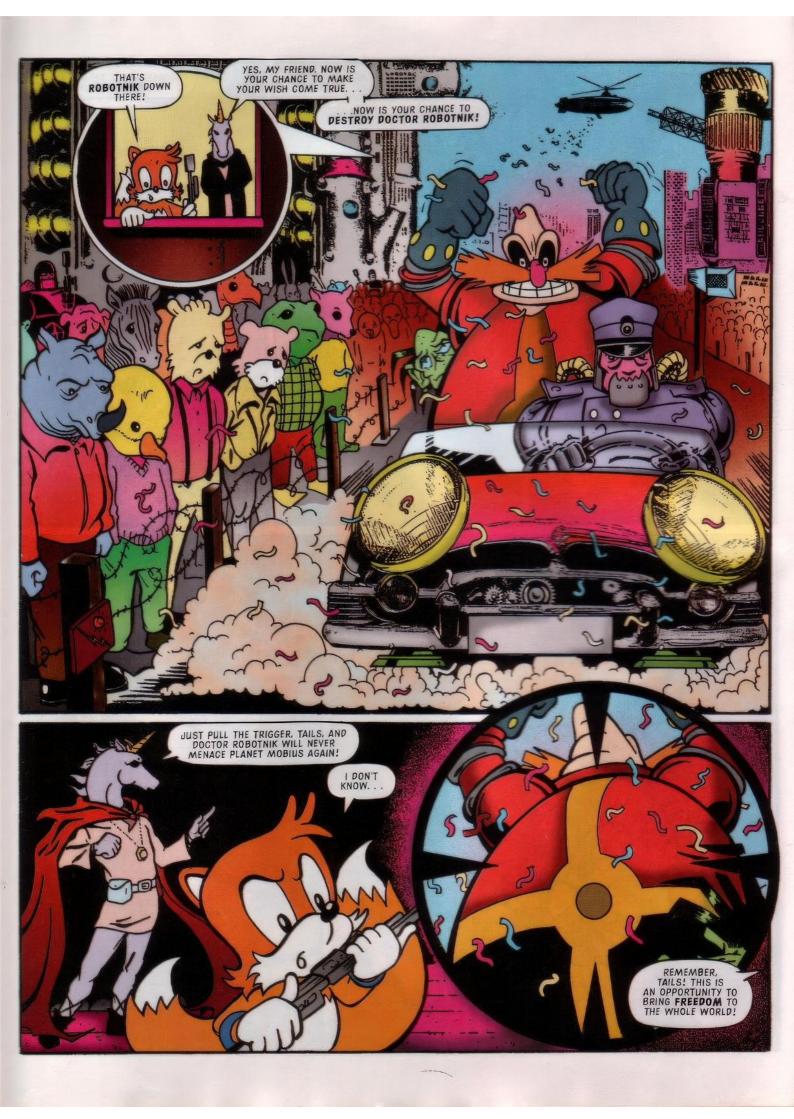


























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# SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2 REVISITED-PART 2



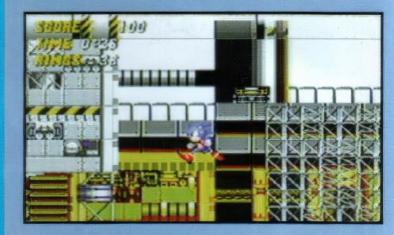
MEGA DRIVE

#### HINTS & TIPS

#### LEVEL SELECT

Go to the options screen and select the sound test. Play sounds 19, 65, 09 and 17. Now reset the machine and hold down A whilst pressing Start on the title screen. Bingo! You can now go off to a level of your choice.





#### TURN INTO SUPER SONIC

Do the above level select cheat, then play these tunes on the level select screen: 04, 01, 02, and 06. Select your starting level and proceed to collect 50 rings. Press button B and C together to transform Sonic into Super Sonic.

#### STARTING THE GAME WITH 14 CONTINUES

Go to the options screen and play the following tunes: 19, 65, 09, 17, 01, 01, 02 and 04. Next, highlight Player Select and press Start. You'll now begin on level one with 14 continues.

#### CHANGE THINGS AROUND

Enter the level select cheat. Next, enter the following codes using the Sound Test option on the Level Select screen: 01, 09, 09, 02, 01, 01, 02 and 04. Observant Boomers will realise that this spells out the date for 'Sonic 2sday' (24/11/1992), that memorable day when Sonic 2 was unleashed on the world!

Select the stage that you want to start from and hold down A and Start. You may notice the score is scrambled, but don't worry as this won't effect the game. Pressing B will change Sonic into part of the scenery. The A button enables you to go through the objects, so you may place anything from a spike to a ring on-screen (selecting C will place the chosen object into the game). If you want to return to the game just press B.



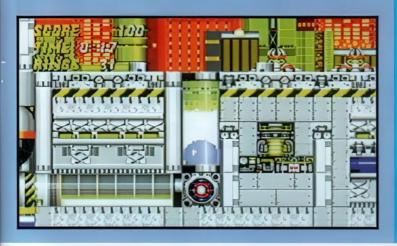
#### SKY HIGH ZONE

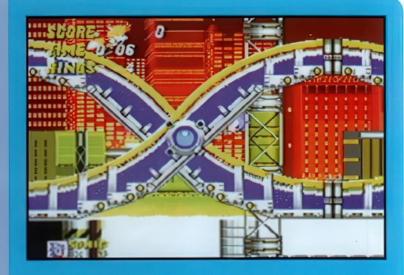
Most Boomers have found the hang-glider tricky to control. However, the main thing to remember is to first take a run-up as this gives you more lift once you're in the air. Keep pressing left on the D-pad and release, as this makes the glider go up, as well as slowing it down. The wind will also give you a push, making it easier to reach the next platform safely. Remember that the faster the pace you're travelling at on take off, the further you'll go in the air. Also, try not to press left on the D-pad too frequently (unless you're falling) as this slows you down.

#### DISCOVER HIDDEN LEVELS

#### LEVEL SELECT

To activate, first make sure your machine is turned off. Plug your control pad into port 2 and press Up, Left diagonal and buttons 1 and 2 simultaneously. Turn the console on and, keeping all of the aforementioned pressed on your joypad, wait until Sonic runs completely across the screen. Let go and plug the controller into port 1, press button 2 twice, and the level select screen will appear.





#### LEVEL CHEAT

When the Sega logo disappears, press Up, Left and both buttons on the joypad in port 2 and slowly count to twelve. Now hold down, Up and Right and count to five. Press Up, Left and the two buttons again. When Doctor Robotnik goes off the top right of the oval, press Up and Right until both Sonic and Tails appear. Plug your joypad into port 1, press button 2 and a level cheat will appear.

#### EXTRA LIVES

Start by going to Sky High Zone Act 2, and go to the bottom of the level and pick up the invincibility TV. Jump onto the ledge above it, go right across the spikes and pick up the extra life. Now go away and come back and the life will be there again. Repeat this to gain as many lives as you require.



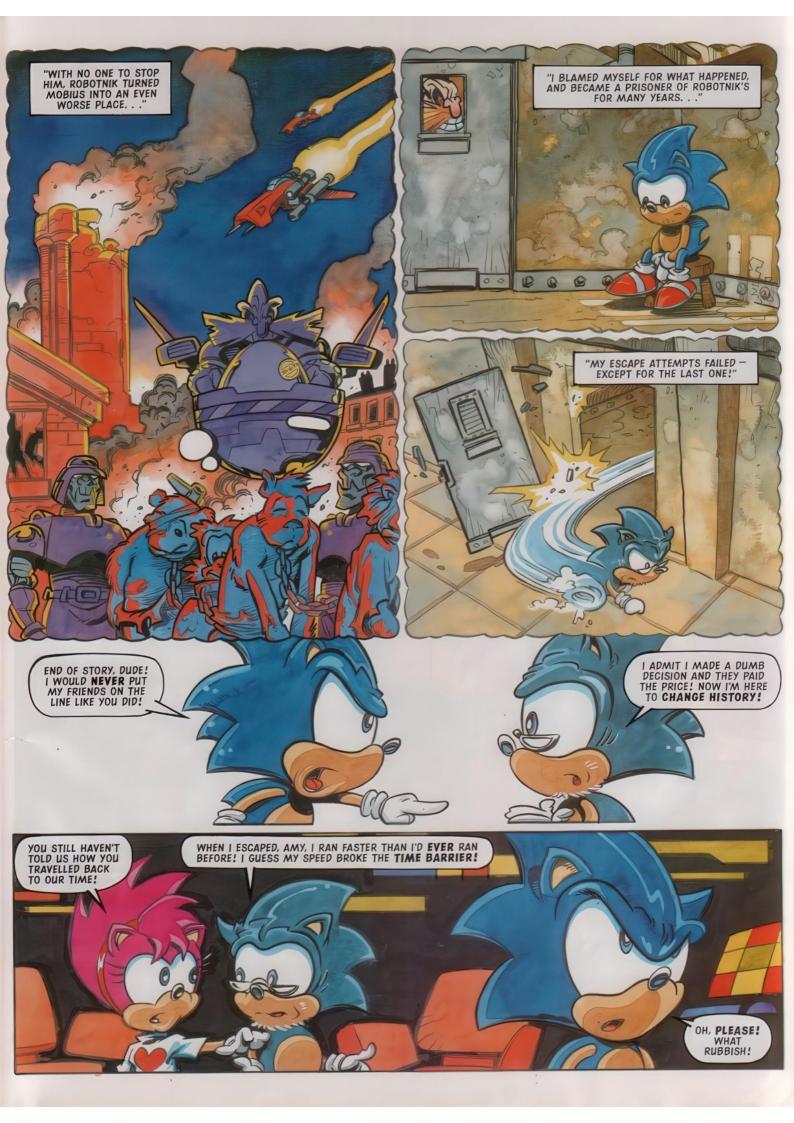
NEXT ISSUE: More Sonic 2
- Chaos Emeralds! Plus, Sonic 3 part 1!

















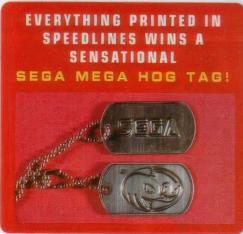












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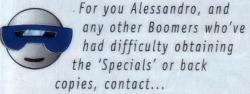
Hello STC,

I live in Germany and have a subscription to STC. However, this doesn't include the Sonic or Knuckles Specials, which I want desperately! As I can't go to the U.K. to buy them, and I don't know anyone over there who could send them to me, could you please let me know how I can order them?



Alessandro Sanasi, Stein, Germany.

Sega Mega Hog Tag Winner.



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Who said Doctor Robotnik didn't have a heart!



Jennifer Kitching, Yarm, Cleveland. Sonic & Knuckles Hog Tag Winner.

#### A SHADE BETTER!

Dear Megadroid,

I'm glad to see that Sonic the Hedgehog 2 is being featured again in the Q Zone. Also, I thought I'd let you know that those shades you wear make you look as cool as a penguin with frost bite! Paul Edwards, Erdington, Birmingham.
Sega Mega Hog Tag Winner.

STC aims to please, Paul.
As for the shades, it's to cover up the glazed, lifeless look I've developed inco I became mining with the burner.

since I began mixing with the humeswho-think-they're-in-charge!

#### DECAP A-BACK!

Dear STC,

Even though I live in South Africa, I've been collecting STC since it began. My favourite comic strip is 'Decap Attack', which is so funny. Will the mad Decappers be returning in the future?

Jeffrey Pearce, Cape Town, South Africa. Sega Mega Hog Tag Winner.



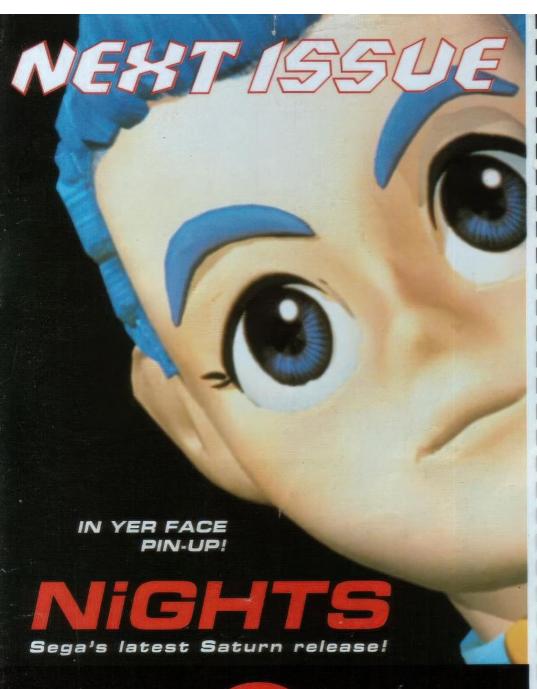
Too f-right, Jeff! Lunacy is looming as the Professor, Chuck and Igor make a monster

comeback in STC 89 - a mere two issues away.



Joel Guthell & Andy Wong, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, Sonic & Knuckles Hog Tag Winners.





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